

Workforce and Employer Support Update ●

JANUARY – MARCH 2023

● JOB FAIRS & HIRING EVENTS

Ken Garff Esports Celebration

The Workforce Development Division staffed a booth at the Ken Garff Esports celebration in March, where junior high and high school students statewide attended to learn about Career and Technical Education pathways. The event welcomed over 2,000 students.



Weber State Annual Internship Job Fair

Weber State hosted its annual fair with 67 companies represented. Over 500 students and job seekers attended and many secured paid internship opportunities with several local companies. Workforce Services hosted a booth and shared information about Employment Internship Opportunities, On-the-Job



Training, Apprenticeships and supportive services for basic career, job search and training activities.

Mock interviews at Piute High

Staff from the Richfield Employment Center helped Piute High School students practice mock interviews and reviewed their resumes. Students received a score on their interview and feedback on their resume. Top



candidates from each grade were “hired” and given an award for their excellent interviewing skills. Students were also given information about Career and Education services for youth.



International Women's Day Celebration

Workforce Services was invited by Fundacion Corazon de Utah to participate in an International Women's Day celebration focused on the Hispanic community in Orem. Representatives hosted a booth educating the attendees about programs and resources available through the department. Fundacion de Corazon is a non-profit organization that provides resources and services for victims of domestic violence.

Carbon High Open House

Workforce Services participated in an open house at Carbon High School in February. The event was attended by over 250 participants. Workforce Services educated faculty and other community partners about available services, emphasizing the Workforce Development Division's Career and Education programs.



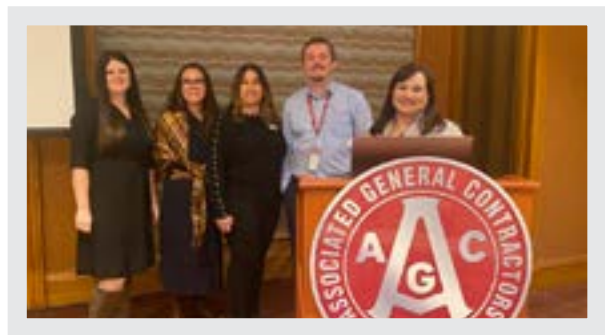
Utah Valley Job Fair

Workforce Services partnered with the Utah Valley Chamber as well as local universities, school districts, technical colleges and other partners to host the annual Utah Valley Job Fair. More than 100 employers met with over 1,000 job seekers at the fair.

● **EMPLOYER SUPPORT**

Associated General Contractors Conference

Workforce Services staff presented during a breakout session for the annual AGC conference. The presentation was about “how to connect with untapped labor pools” such as veterans, youth, refugees and individuals with disabilities. Information was also shared about posting jobs, using apprenticeships, bonding and tax credits. Staff answered questions at their exhibit booth where they spoke with more than 500 employers.



Better Your Business Breakfast Seminar

Mountainland service area held its first in-person Better Your Business Breakfast seminar since before the pandemic. Over 50 employers attended to learn about On-the-Job training programs and youth Employment Internship Opportunities for businesses.



State of the Economy Seminar

The Wasatch Front South Employer Connection Advisory Board sponsored the annual State of the Economy seminar featuring Mark Knold, Workforce Services chief economist. Ninety participants attended, both in-person and virtually. Mark compared Utah to the U.S. and accentuated how well Utah is fairing and thriving with job growth and lower unemployment. Mark offered key reasons for the labor shortages throughout the country, indicating Baby Boomers are aging out of the workforce, along with a lack of youthful labor to backfill it. Additionally, labor in-migration from other countries has also slowed. Continued labor shortage trends call for employers to consider untapped pools of labor.

● VETERANS & MILITARY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Utah Valley University Open House

The veterans team from Mountainland service area attended the Utah Valley University Open House Services Fair in January. Information about programs and resources available to veterans was shared with service providers, UVU department heads, students and veterans. Over 400 students, several of whom were veterans, attended.

Utah Tech Week Networking Event

Lisa Duckworth, local veterans employment representative, attended an HR networking event with approximately 200 HR professionals to share information about Veteran and Military Employment Services, the Utah Patriot Partnership and HIRE Vets Medallion awards.



● APPRENTICESHIPS

Construction Business-to-business Event and Job Fair

Melisa Stark, commissioner of apprenticeships in Utah, led a discussion with panelists in the construction industry about how employers can build their workforce through registered apprenticeship programs. Following the employer event, a construction apprenticeship job fair was held in the same location.



CNC Machinist Tech Apprenticeship Kickoff

The Apprenticeship Network hosted an employer event outlining the new CNC Machinist Tech Apprenticeship cohort that will start this summer. Scan the QR code to view the recording.



● UTAH STATE OFFICE OF REHABILITATION

Salt Lake County Arts and Culture Presentations

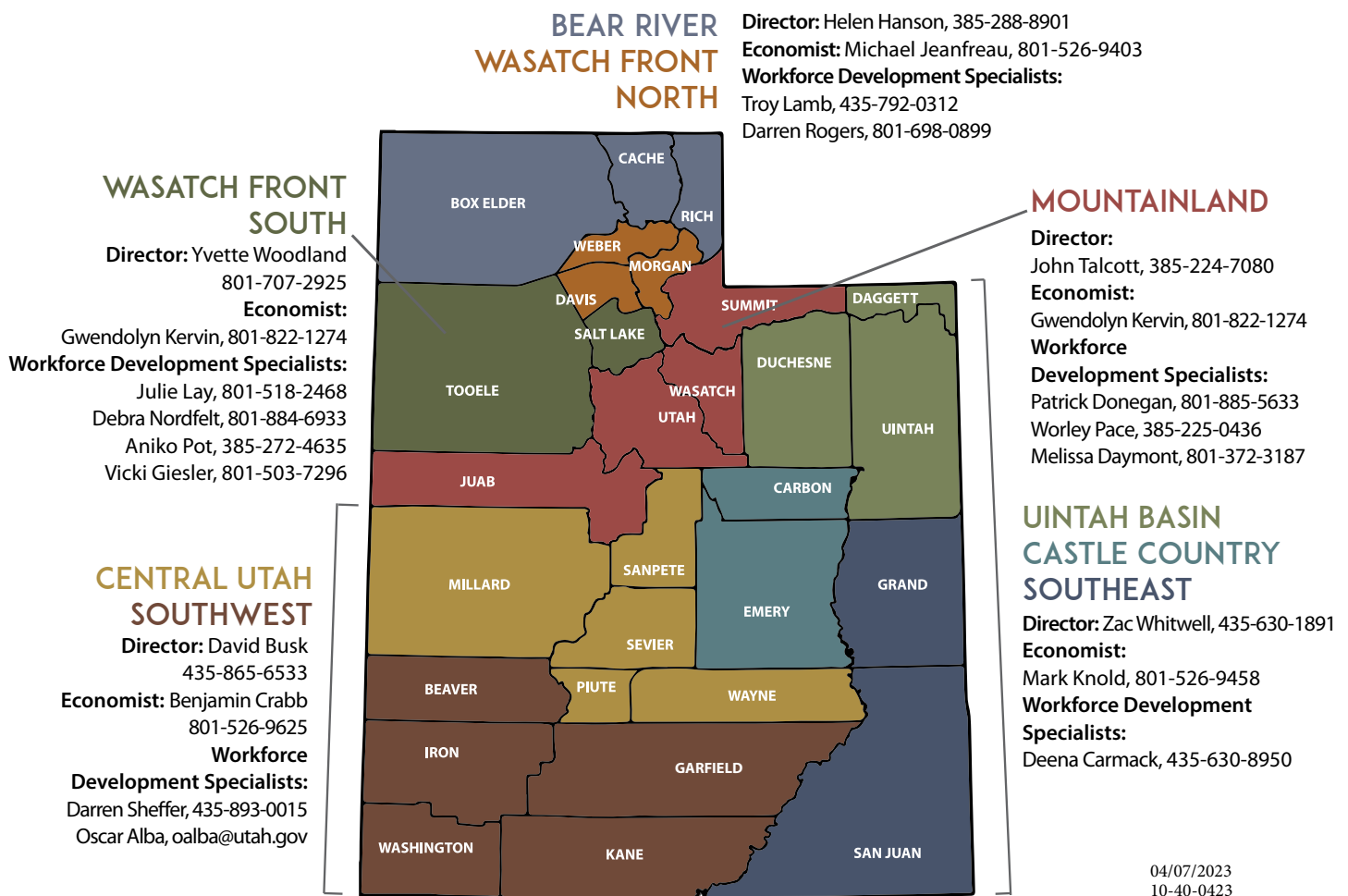
The USOR Business Relations team supported two presentations in February to the Salt Lake County Arts and Culture teams on disability awareness. The presentation was geared to all Salt Lake County Arts and

Culture employees to assist both with accessibility for patrons of the events as well as their current and future employees. Over 45 participants attended the morning session.

● WHAT'S NEXT

- April 20 - Chamber West Community Job Fair, 2 - 6 p.m.
- April 27 - Millcreek Community Job Fair, 4 - 7 p.m.
- May 4 - Statewide Virtual Job Fair, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- May 16 - Better Your Business Employer Seminar on Employment Law, 8:30 - 10 a.m.
- May 18 - Manufacturing Business-to-Business Apprenticeship Event at JD Machine, 1:30 - 3 p.m.

● WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES STATEWIDE



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● HIRING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES STATEWIDE

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